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## General News

Letcher county has organized a farmers institute.

It is claimed that the Citizen Ticket will win at Carlisle over the regular ticket.

It is claimed that eggs will soon be selling at 75 cents a dozen, and that is where we get off of the wagon.

The snow storm which visited our city Monday afternoon seems to have been general throughout the state, but very light.

Great Britain has accepted our invitation to participate in the opening of the Panama Canal, and will send a warship.

Lexington is considering the proposition of abolishing fifteen saloons in that section of the city called the "red light district."

William Carson Black of Barbourville, Kentucky, was elected as the Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Masons at their meeting in Louisville.

The Mt. Sterling mule market has gone to pieces on young mules, and they were off from \$20 to \$30 from the prices last year and only a few sales made.

Under the new revenue laws all candies and confections containing liquor, such as rum balls, brandy balls, mint lozengers, etc., will have to pay a revenue tax.

The United States backs up the German government as against the Mexican government, and demands protection for 43 German subjects who are detained in Torreón by rebel forces.

J. F. Loggin, aged 60, was beaten into insensibility at his home just after dark. After the assassin beat him they turned a flash light on him when one of them exclaimed "my, we got the wrong man."

The audience which greeted Mrs. Emmaline Pankhurst at the Madison Square Garden was a very small one. The notoriety given to her by her detention failed to attract the people. She was admitted on conditions that she be good.

Woodford county has a woman running for the office of Superintendent of Schools on the Independent ticket. Miss Belle Gillis of that county files her petition and enters the contest against Lucian Linsey, the Democratic candidate.

The Kentucky Master Bakers held their annual convention at Lexington, last week. Martin Du Uries of Bowling Green was elected President and J. J. Caden, Lexington, Vice President. Gov. McCreary telegraphed his inability to attend.

A paper will be started at Lexington, Friday October 24th, by Dan J. Reid, who has acquired some reputation as an editor. The paper will advocate progressive ideas, but does not align itself with any political party. It is in the interest of the colored people.

Following is a report of the condition of the State Treasury at the close of business September 30: Sinking fund, \$23,716.62; school fund, \$497,711.65; general expenditures fund, \$109,331.80; balance in treasury, \$630,760.09; outstanding warrants, \$2,343,927.92. Last month, \$2,200,736.13.

Tom Baldwin, a cattle buyer of Richmond, was here last week and bought a herd of 15 steers from Jas. Holman, south of Stanford, at \$6 a hundred pounds. They averaged 690 each. From J. M. Lair, the same buyer got a dozen head, of about the same weight and the same figure. Interior Journal.

## GRAND JURY

Reports Its Doings to Judge Benton and Finally Adjourns.

To Hon. J. M. Benton, Judge, Madison Circuit Court:

The grand jury after being in continuous session for almost two weeks, makes the following report: We commend as timely and proper, your Honor's splendid instructions as to bribery and corruption in elections. Only those who have served on grand juries can know how difficult it is to get any direct, positive evidence against any one. Every man examined says, he saw signs of the use of money but only the rarest man admits that he personally knows anything positively or will indict anyone. Occasionally, a man tells something reluctantly, and by persistently following up a clew we get enough evidence to find a true bill.

We examined all of the principal candidates, many middlemen and lots of voters. We were fortunate enough to get evidence sufficient to indict a few, and with this as a fulcrum, were enabled to persuade (on the promise of your Honor to be lenient) a good many to confess or implicate their chief representatives. We believe in this way we secured more indictments than could have been done in any other way, and of far more important people.

This grand jury has no doubt more true bills for bribery in elections than was ever found in the county before. So long continued and universal a habit cannot be broken up by one session of a grand jury, but a wedge has been well started and with public sentiment awakened and encouraged, future grand juries should have an easier task.

The next most flagrant offense was from the habit of carrying pistols. Almost every witness quizzed knew of shots being fired on the highways but to secure direct evidence was most difficult. We are convinced that shots fired from pistols and the having them in hand should be prima facie evidence of concealed weapons. We examined the jail and found it in a fair condition. The court house and grounds were all in good condition and well cared for, except the witness room which needs better furniture and a general cleaning up.

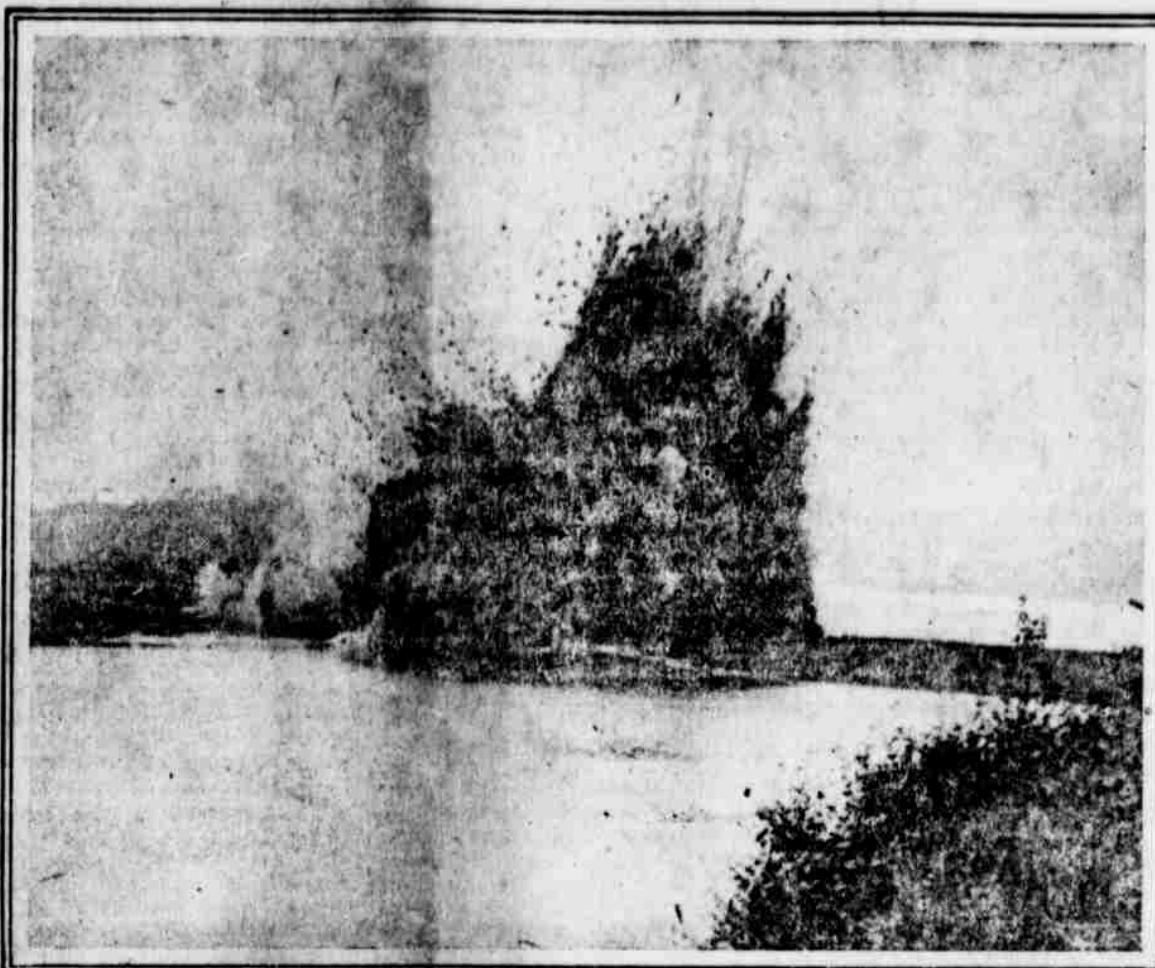
The county clerk showed us his books showing collections for fees from deeds, licenses etc., and they seemed full and correct.

Respectfully submitted,  
T. S. BURNAM,  
Foreman.

Gov. McCreary has appointed John D. Scott, Police Judge of Berea, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of G. D. Holaday.

A dispatch from Petersburg, Ind., says that a strange bug that began eating the ends of the ears of corn about six weeks ago has caused no end of trouble to the farmers of Pike county. Farmers feeding new corn infested with these strange bugs or worms have lost horses, mules and cattle and now every farmer is compelled to sort every ear of corn before he feeds it for fear it is infected. The damaged corn poisons and death follows almost immediately. Many horses and mules have died in this locality.

## GAMBOA DIKE, PANAMA CANAL, BLOWN UP



The blowing up of the dike separating the water from Gatun Locks and Culebra Cut. Photo by Underwood & Underwood, N. Y.

## AUTO WRECK

Injures Three People Very Seriously.

### ALL DOING WELL

On Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock while out in his automobile on the Lexington pike, Mr. W. T. Vaughn lost control of the machine which ran down an embankment and was wrecked.

In the car with Mr. Vaughn were Misses Rachel Parrish and Ethel Curd, both of whom had their collar bones broken and were otherwise bruised.

Dr. Moss Gibson was summoned and brought Miss Parrish to the city in his machine while Miss Curd was taken to her home on Fifth St. in the ambulance. While painfully hurt the young ladies are not seriously injured and are resting comfortably at this time.

Mr. Vaughn escaped with a few bruises. While the affair was bad enough, we are glad it was no worse.

### Grand Jury Adjourns

The grand jury has finally adjourned for this session of the court. In addition to the indictments named in our last issue, it returned the following indictments:

For robbery—Charles Brown, Tom Sallee and Jesse Goins.  
For nuisance—M. M. Hamilton, C. C. Culton, Charley Pigg and John Allman.

For burglary—George Fox.  
For malicious shooting—Lizzie Dunahue, Lucian Matthews.  
Receiving money to be used in an election—Collins Long and B. F. Golden.

Only two additional indictments were made in the bribery cases making fourteen in all. Some other indictments were returned but as the parties are not in custody, we refrain from giving names as they may skip the country.

### Confederate Pensions

Gen. Bennett H. Young, head of the U. C. V., proposes that pensions be paid Southern soldiers out of the \$60,000,000 collected as a tax on cotton following the Sectional War.

### Civil Cases Tried

The court has disposed of the following cases tried by a jury at this term of court:

In the stiffly contested case of Spurling against the L. & N. Railroad, Judge Benton presiding, plaintiff recovered a verdict for \$1052.00. This is a very interesting case and grew out of the following facts:

In the spring of 1912, Mrs. Spurling with her four children were starting to Missouri to join her husband who had preceded them. It was during the flood that wrought such havoc around Paducah and other cities on the Mississippi river. Before purchasing her tickets she made inquiries of the agent at this point as to whether or not the way was open and whether or not she could reach her destination by way of Paducah. Receiving assurance that she could, she purchased her tickets and boarded the train going on to Louisville.

At Louisville she received a wire from her brother here, advising her to go by way of St. Louis. She notified the agent of the L. & N. at Louisville of the contents of the wire, and asked them to change her tickets so that she could go by the way of St. Louis to her destination. This the defendant refused to do, and again assured her that she could reach her destination by way of Paducah. Again boarding the train she traveled all night and when she reached Paducah next morning found that no trains were running, and she was compelled to discontinue her journey and return home. She alleges that she endured many privations from which she was rendered sick. She sued for \$1052.00 and the jury gave her the exact amount.

Grant E. Lilly and O. P. Jackson represented the plaintiff, Burnam and Burnam the defendant.

Hon. J. Tevis Cobb, special Judge tried the cases of Jones against Ballew, and the Round Stone Land Co., against William Wren, in each of which cases the plaintiffs won.

The case of Florence Butler against the Richmond Lumber Company was a hotly contested case, arising out of a seizure of an automobile by the Richmond

## OUR NEW COLLECTOR



A good picture of our new Collector for the Eighth District, Judge John W. Hughes, of Harrodsburg, Ky.

Lumber Company under an execution issued on a judgment which said company had against the Gahren, Dodge & Maultby Co. The Richmond Lumber Company claimed that in reality the machine belonged to the aforementioned company. Mrs. Butler claimed that the machine belonged to her, and instituted suit to recover it from the Richmond Lumber Company. The case was tried out and the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, ordering the machine restored to her, and awarding damages for its detention in the sum of \$860.

Smith & Smith represented the Lumber Company and J. Tevis Cobb and E. Foreman of Lexington, represented the plaintiff Mrs. Butler. Grant E. Lilly presided as special judge.

### Just to Remind You

Next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 27, 28 and 29, are special registration days and every Democrat of the city who was absent from home or prevented by sickness from registering on the regular registration day, is urged to go before the County Court Clerk on one of the above days and register. Unless you do so you cannot vote in November or in fact, until after the next registration in October 1914.

Ollie James will speak at Lexington on Thursday Oct. 30th on behalf of the Democratic party.

## APPROVED

The Salary Grab Is Endorsed In Toto by Our Friends

REGISTER AND CLIMAX.

The Register and Climax endorse the salary grab and think that Judge Shackelford should not only have the increase but that it should be the "grab" and then some. Here is what they say:

At the last meeting of the Fiscal Court the salary of Judge Shackelford was raised from \$1250 per annum to \$1500, and he was allowed pay for his stenographer in the sum of \$360 annually. All the comment we have to make on this action, is that the Judge is cheap at the price. His services to the county are far in excess even of his salary as it now stands. There is not a more efficient official in the state than Judge Shackelford, and in our opinion the county is still his debtor. Register.

In a large number of counties the fiscal court recognizing that certain officials are not sufficiently paid, are raising their salaries, especially is this the case as to the Judges. Montgomery, Hardin and others are the latest to do so. The salary of an official ought to be commensurate with the dignity and duties of the office, and we do not believe that there will be much protest over the fact that Judge W. R. Shackelford's salary has been raised from \$1,250 to \$1,500. Madison is one of the largest and wealthiest counties in the State and is able to pay her public servants well. Certainly if the County Judge of Fayette should receive \$3,000 a year, the Judge of this county "could get half as much, and even then it is small pay for the work." Climax.

And now Mr. Taxpayer while you are digging and scratching to get enough of the long green to pay off taxes, probably you are in a fine frame of mind to fully appreciate the effects of the grab.

The Madisonian is opposed to it both because it is too much and because of the manner in which it was secured and with this we submit the question to the people. You might find some guide in looking at the salaries paid in Mercer County which we now give you:

The salaries of the county officers were fixed as follows:  
County Judge.....\$1,000.00  
County Attorney.....800.00  
Supt. of Schools.....900.00  
County Clerk for fiscal court services.....200.00

### Big Rally

Rev. D. L. Brandenburg, of Wilmore, Ky., who is an enthusiastic and energetic preacher of the Methodist Denomination held a two weeks protracted meeting at the Christian Church at Ruthton, Ky. He was assisted in his meeting by Mr. S. P. Guynn and wife who led the singing, while Mrs. Will McGuire was the organist.

It was an old time revival, of the Methodist kind, and there was a great spiritual awakening, and much good has been accomplished by the meeting, the church has been rejuvenated and the people are inspired to greater works.

### Protracted Meeting

The dedication of the new Christian Church will be followed by a protracted meeting led by Rev. W. E. Ellis, of Paris, Kentucky. Everybody is invited to attend these meetings.